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Rangeley Man Pleads Guilty to Federal Child Pornography Charges

Bangor, Maine: United States Attorney Paula D. Silsby announced that **Zachary Allen Winship**, 33, of Rangeley, Maine, pleaded guilty on May 12, 2008, in U.S. District Court in Bangor, Maine, to Possession of Child Pornography. Winship faces a possible sentence of up to 10 years and a fine of up to \$250,000, or both. He was detained pending sentencing.

Court records reveal that in March 2006, returning from a vacation in Jamaica, Winship and his wife landed at Philadelphia Airport. When Winship was referred to secondary inspection at Customs, it was discovered that the laptop computer he had carried with him from Jamaica contained images of child erotica. Although the images recovered in Philadelphia did not warrant prosecution, Winship told his wife that their home computer in Maine would contain similar material. Immediately upon arriving home in Maine, and before Winship had access to the home computer, his wife dismantled their home computer and turned it over to her attorney, who turned it over to law enforcement. The home computer contained child pornography, including still images and videos.

United States Attorney Silsby praised the investigation conducted by Office of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

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